IN THE MATTER OF

* BEFORE THE

MARCIA LANDIS-GRIMM

* STATE BOARD

PHARM TECH

* OF

Registration No.: T05497

* PHARMACY

Respondent

* Case No. PT-11-023/11-318

ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c)((2) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby suspends the registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech) in Maryland issued to Marcia Landis-Grimm, (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 12-101, et seq., (2009 Repl. Vol.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:

BACKGROUND

- 1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland. The Respondent was first registered on May 22, 2009. The Respondent's registration expired on December 31, 2010.
- 2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent worked as a Pharm Tech for a pharmacy in Frostburg, Maryland.
- 3. In July 2010, while evaluating narcotic quantities on the shelf and potential quantities to purchase, it was noted by the Director of the pharmacy that the amount of

certain narcotics that were on the shelf versus the amount of narcotics listed on the Cardinal Inventory Management (CIM) were different.¹

- 4. As a result, drug counts began to take place on a daily basis and the theft was narrowed down to one employee, the Respondent. When the Respondent was confronted on August 15, 2010, she admitted guilt and she was immediately terminated.
- 5. The pharmacy filed a required report of theft or loss of controlled substances indicating that the amount of the Respondent's theft totaled over \$27,000.

FINDINGS OF FACT

As set forth above, by stealing narcotics from her employer for her own addictive use, the Respondent is a threat to the public health, welfare or safety.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol.).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this Arthur day of April, 2011, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted by the Board by Md. St. Govt. Code Ann. § 10-226(c)(2) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the registration held by the Respondent to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland, Registration No. T05497, is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED; and be it further

¹CMI is a computer program which inventories all medications and provides an accurate, real-time account of medications on-hand.

ORDERED, that upon the Board's receipt of a written request from the Respondent, a Show Cause Hearing shall be scheduled within a reasonable time of said request, at which the Respondent will be given an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Summary Suspension should be continued, regarding the Respondent's fitness to practice as a Pharm Tech and the danger to the public; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Respondent shall immediately turn over to the Board her wall certificate and wallet-sized registration to practice as a Pharm Tech issued by the Board; and be it further

ORDERED, that this document constitutes a final Order of the Board and is therefore a public document for purposes of public disclosure, as required by Md. State Gov't Code Ann. §10-617(h) (2009 Rept. Vol.).

Michael N. Sourants, P.D., President Board of Pharmacy

NOTICE OF HEARING

A Show Cause hearing to determine whether the Summary Suspension shall be continued will be held before the Board at 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, 21215 following a written request by the Respondent for same.